

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A drill guide assembly for determining the axis for drilling a bore in a bone to receive a component of an orthopaedic joint prosthesis, comprising:
a drill guide that includes a sleeve and a bulb at one end of the sleeve;
a frame fastenable to the bone comprising a housing having an internal surface that defines a recess, the recess being configured to receive the bulb such that the ~~drill guide~~ sleeve extends out of the recess ~~in a direction away from the bone~~, the drill guide and housing being movable relative to one another from a first position, where the angular orientation of the drill guide sleeve relative to the housing can be adjusted by movement of the bulb within the recess, to a second position, where the bulb of the drill guide contacts the internal surface of the housing;
a ~~first~~ ~~an~~ upper clamping surface carried on the drill guide; and
a ~~second~~ ~~lower~~ clamping surface carried on the housing, the upper-first clamping surface and ~~lower-second~~ clamping surface configured to contact one another when the drill guide and the housing are moved from the first position to the second position, the upper-first clamping surface being spaced apart from the bulb along the drill guide sleeve.
2. (Currently Amended) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, wherein the ~~lower-second~~ clamping surface is provided on a collar configured to be disposed about the housing.
3. (Currently Amended) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, wherein the ~~lower-second~~ clamping surface is convex and the ~~upper-first~~ clamping surface is concave.
4. (Currently Amended) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, further comprising a ~~washer~~ an o-ring disposed between the upper-first clamping surface and the ~~lower-second~~ clamping surface.

5. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, further comprising an actuator for moving the drill guide and housing from the first position to the second position.

6. (Currently Amended) The drill guide assembly of claim 54, wherein the sleeve has an outer surface, a portion of the outer surface being threaded, and the actuator comprises a nut threadably engaged with the sleeve.

7. (Currently Amended) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, wherein the drill guide sleeve has an axis and the ratio of (a) the distance between the point where the bulb and the internal surface of the housing contact one another and the point where the ~~upper-first~~ clamping surface and ~~lower-second~~ clamping surface contact one another when the drill guide and the housing are in the second position to (b) the transverse dimension of the bulb, measured perpendicular to the axis, is at least 1.3.

8. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, wherein the frame comprises a platform that defines a plane that is spaced apart from the bone and an axis of the assembly that extends perpendicular to the plane, and wherein the drill guide is mounted on the platform so that the drill guide is translatable relative to the frame generally in the plane of the platform.

9. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 8, further comprising an actuator for moving the drill guide and housing from the first position to the second position and a lock for preventing translation of the drill guide relative to the frame, wherein the lock and the actuator are actuatable independently of one another.

10. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, further comprising an alignment stylus connected to the drill guide so as to move with the drill guide relative to the frame, the stylus comprising a first limb that is directed towards the bone, to facilitate assessment of the alignment of the drill guide sleeve relative to anatomical features of the bone.

11. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 10, wherein the stylus can be moved rotatably around the drill guide sleeve.
12. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 11, wherein the stylus is configured to be movable around the drill guide sleeve while the clamp is engaged to prevent angular movement of the drill guide relative to the frame.
13. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 10, wherein the stylus further comprises a second limb extending from the first limb in a direction generally towards the axis of the assembly.
14. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 13, wherein the length of at least one of the first and second limbs of the stylus is adjustable.
15. (Previously Presented) The drill guide assembly of claim 1, wherein the frame has three legs configured to be positioned on the bone.